## Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims below supercedes all previous listings of the claims.

- 1. (currently amended) An icebreaker mat, comprising:
  - (A)—an integral, one-piece slip-resistant, non-adhering, <u>flexible</u>, water-proof mat, <u>including</u> which contains a flexible core material of substantially uniform thickness, said product being sealed on its surfaces and on around its edges so as to provide <u>air tight</u> within a water-proof, <u>air tight</u>, flexible mat with said water-proof cover extending over both sides of the core material;
  - (B) wherein said mat providesing a safe and convenient method of eliminating ice; and
    - (C) wherein the water-proof, flexible covermat is non-adhering to ice.
- 2. (currently amended) A mat as defined in claim 1, wherein the core is approximately 1/4" in thickness.
- 3. (currently amended) A mat as defined in claim 2, wherein the cover<del>ing</del> is <u>composed of</u> imitation leather.
- 4. (currently amended) A mat as defined in claim 3, wherein the imitation leather comprises includes a knit cloth and there is an adhesive-bonded and chemical fabric forming material which is coated with PVC after it is pressed and formed.
- 5. (currently amended) A mat as defined in claim 4, which is sufficiently wide for two persons to walk on the mat side by side at the same time.
- 6. (currently amended) A mat as defined in claim 5, wherein there is a rounded front edge on the mat.
- 7. (previously presented) A mat as defined in claim 2, wherein there is a rounded front edge on the mat.

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8. (previously presented) A mat as defined in claim 7, which is sufficiently wide for two persons to walk on the mat side by side at the same time.

- 9. (currently amended) A mat as defined in claim 7, <u>further comprising wherein there are</u> attachment means for attaching the mat to exterior stairs.
- 10. (previously presented) A mat as defined in claim 9 wherein the cover is textured to provide a non-slipping surface.
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